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The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chairwoman  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for The Resacas, in the Vicinity of the city of Brownsville, Texas Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Brownsville Public Utilities Board located at 1425 Robinhood Dr., Brownsville, Texas 77521.

The funding would be used to restore the exceedingly rare resacas ecosystem that has been damaged due to the past 150 years of expansion of agriculture and urbanization. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because restoring the structure and function of the riparian and aquatic vegetative communities will attract and support unique biota which are dependent on the resaca's rare habitat components, and provide critical flood control and water supply benefits to the City of Brownsville, which is frequently impacted by coastal storms and drought.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1401(5) of the American Water Infrastructure Act of 2018 Public Law 115-270.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Vicente Gonzalez  
Member of Congress